

## CHAPTER NO. 321

## SENATE BILL NO. 1332

**By Ford, Curtis S. Person, Jr., Cohen, Burchett, Mr. Speaker Wilder**

**Substituted for: House Bill No. 977**

**By Bowers, Chumney, Todd, Kent, Stanley**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-20-102, relative to the Tennessee Governmental Tort Liability Act in any county having a population of not less than eight hundred ninety-seven thousand four hundred (897,400) and not more than eight hundred ninety-seven thousand five hundred (897,500), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-20-102, is amended by designating present subdivision (3) as subdivision (3)(A), and by adding the following language as subdivision (3)(B):

(3)(B) In any county having a population not less than eight hundred ninety-seven thousand four hundred (897,400) and not more than eight hundred ninety-seven thousand five hundred (897,500), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, "governmental entity" means any political subdivision of the state of Tennessee including, but not limited to, any municipality, county, utility district, school district, nonprofit volunteer fire department receiving funds appropriated by a county legislative body or a legislative body of a municipality, human resource agency, public building authority, development district created and existing pursuant to the constitution and laws of Tennessee, or any instrumentality of government created by any one (1) or more of the herein named local governmental entities or by an act of the General Assembly, or nonprofit public benefit corporation operating a hospital whose voting board of directors (or governing body) is appointed, designated or elected by one (1) or more of the herein named local governmental entities, and which hospital corporation either:

(i) Receives funds appropriated by a county legislative body or a legislative body of a municipality; or

(ii) Receives or leases hospital real property from a county and/or municipality;

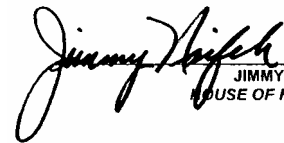
(Such hospital corporation shall be subject to the Open Meetings Law, compiled in Title 8, Chapter 44, and subject to the Open Records Law, compiled in Title 10, Chapter 7, to the extent that other local government hospitals and government hospital authorities are subject to such laws); and

SECTION 2. (a) This act shall take effect July 1, 2003, the public welfare requiring it, and is repealed effective June 30, 2006, except to the extent otherwise provided by subsection (b).

(b) The provisions of this act shall apply to all claims filed on and after July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2006, and shall also apply to all other claims which arise on and after July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2006, even if the claims are filed subsequent to June 30, 2006.

**PASSED: May 21, 2003**

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**APPROVED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 2003**

  
PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR